



Financial Aid & Scholarship Information

FINANCIAL AID:

Top 5 Things Every Student Should Know

- **Never rule out a school because of cost alone.**
- **Compare costs before applying:** Net price calculators can give a clear picture of actual costs and are on every college's website.
- **Remember to apply:** The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) deadlines are available online and many schools also provide funds through the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE or state applications.
- **Get advice:** The financial aid offices at local colleges often provide workshops or can give advice.
- **Compare awards:** Look at all grants, loans and parental contributions before making a final decision on a college.

HELPFUL Financial Aid WEBSITES:

www.fafsa.ed.gov (financial aid)
www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid (financial aid)
www.studentaid.ed.gov (financial aid)

SEARCH YOUR COMMUNITY

Who might offer scholarships?

- ❖ Community organizations (Rotary Club, Lion's Club, local Chamber of Commerce, library, etc.)
- ❖ Cultural organizations that provide awards based on ethnic background or heritage.
- ❖ Your employer or your parents' employers
- ❖ Places of worship

PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

- * **Kohl's Cares Scholarship Program**
www.kohlscorporation.com/communityrelations/scholarship/index.asp
- * **Kid's Chance of Michigan**
<http://kidschanceofmi.org>
- * **AXA Achievement Scholarship**
www.axa-scholarship.com
- * **Education Matters Scholarship**
www.scholarshipexperts.com/our-scholarships/education-matters-scholarship
- * **Courage to Grow Scholarship**
<http://couragetogrowscholarship.com>
- * **Jackie Robinson Foundation**
www.jackierobinson.org
- * **\$2,000 No Essay Scholarship**
<https://collegeprowler.com/scholarship/apply.aspx>
- * **Horatio Alger Scholarships**

FREE SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH SERVICES

- **Black College Dollars (Sallie Mae Fund)**
www.thesalliemae.org/smfnew/scholarship_directory/index.html
- **College Board's Scholarship Search**
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>
- **College Decision Headquarters**
www.cappex.com
- **College NET MACH 25**
www.collegenet.com/mach25/app
- **College Xpress**
www.collegexpress.com
- **College Toolkit**
www.collegetoolkit.com
- **FastWEB**
www.fastweb.com
- **FinAid Scholarships**
www.finaid.org/scholarships
- **Hispanic Assoc. of Colleges and universities (HACU) Scholarship resource List**
www.hacu.net/hacu/Scholarship_Resource_List.asp
- **Peterson's Scholarship Search**
www.petersons.com/college-search/scholarship-search.aspx
- **Sallie Mae**
www.go.salliemae.com/scholarship
- **Scholarship Experts**
www.scholarshipexpert.com
- **Scholarships.com**
www.scholarships.com
- **Today's Military**
www.todaysmilitary.com

USEFUL BOOK RESOURCES

Confessions of a Scholarship Winner
by Kristina Ellis

The Ultimate Scholarship Book
by Gen & Kelly Tanabe